

DETAILED ACTION

1. In view of the reversal decision of the BPAI Decision of June 22, 2009, the rejection of Claims 4, 5, 14, 15, 19, 20, 23, 24 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, is withdrawn. In view of the reversal decision of the BPAI Decision of June 22, 2009, the rejection of Claims 1-6, 12-24 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Betso et al. (US 5,925,703), is withdrawn. Further, the rejection of claims 5, 15, 19, 24 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Betso et al. (US 5,925,703) which is affirmed by GE product trade literature on Ultranox 641, is withdrawn.

Allowances

2. Claims 1-6, 12-24 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

As of the date of this office action, the examiner has not located or identified any reference that can be used singularly or in combination with another reference including the closest prior art of Betso et al. (US 5,925,703) to render the present invention anticipated or obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William K Cheung whose telephone number is (571)

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272-1097. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00AM to 2:00PM; 4:00PM to 8:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David WU can be reached on (571) 272-1114. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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